

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation of the November Community Improvement Award

MEETING DATE: November 3, 1999

PREPARED BY: Community Development Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Mayor present Antonio Murguia, property owner and proprietor of

Carniceria California Deli, 620 S. Central Avenue, with the Community

Improvement Award for November 1999.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In June of this year, property owner and business proprietor Antonio

Murguia commissioned artist, Jose Arenas, to transform the exterior

of his business from a neutral gray wall of stucco that was

indistinguishable from many others throughout the neighborhood, to

a colorful display that celebrates the wonderful mix of Spanish, Mexican and American cultures that are prevalent throughout Lodi, and especially concentrated within that East Lodi neighborhood.

The mural that resulted, was the finishing touch on the improvements that Mr. Murguia has made at this property located at the corner of South Central Avenue and East Tokay Street in the past year. For his efforts in improving his property, and in turn his neighborhood, he and his property were nominated and unanimously approved for the Community Improvement Award.

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